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# Cherry Hill Aurseries

T. C. THURLOW & CO., Proprietors, West Newbury, Mass.

These are our Specialties. We have cultivated them for over thirty years, and think they are the most desirable and satisfactory of any plants we grow, being hardy in the middle and northern states, also in Canada and the Provinces

### Pennies

E have on trial a large collection of Peonies and are constantly adding new ones as they appear. Only those that have been fully tested are offered in this circular, and we think our collection is as near perfect as one can be made at present.

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We have put our prices of the more common varieties lower this year, as our stock of these has very much increased, but they are just as good as ever and we can recommend them to every one. Although the latter appear to be more plenty in this country, the new and rare ones, such as we offer in Series E. and F., are generally higher than ever, and the demand for these, both in this country and in Europe, seems to be on the increase.

We have for the last two years examined our Peonies when they were in bloom, and marked "O. K." those which, according to the best authority, appeared to us correct. Further than this we cannot warrant. Peonies differ so much in different localities, and under different treatment, that they cannot always be identified by the description of the originator.

We have been growing and selling Peonies for about forty years, and what few mistakes we have made we are always glad to rectify, after the plants have bloomed sufficiently to prove that they were mistakes. The first year blooms are apt to be very inferior, and sometimes entirely unlike what they will be later.

The Peonies we offer this year are all well grown, blooming plants; mostly those that were divided last fall and have been grown a year, the others, large divisions from older plants. Those who have been buying newly imported roots will notice the difference.

We always prefer good, vigorous varieties — those that are free flowering and have long, stiff stems — also those that are sweet-scented and agreeable.

We must again caution our friends against using any manure or strong fertilizers when planting Peonies. A moderate amount can be used to advantage if well worked into the soil at least one season before planting. We already see the evil effects of forcing Peonies unnaturally in a dwarfed and stunted root called "club-root" or "nematodes" which has been sent out by some of the French experts. The only remedy we know for this is to set the plants in new, fresh soil and apply as a top dressing wood ashes or some form of potash.

For a permanent bed, set the plants about four feet apart, having the top bud about two or three inches below the surface. Any good garden soil, worked deep — neither too wet nor very dry — and if a little shaded from the noonday sun, all the better.

We would urge all customers to order their Peonies *early*, as they make their root growth in the autumn, and it is desirable to get the plants well established before winter; although we have never known them to be injured by the frost. September is the best time for planting, but they can be moved as late as November, or very early in April, before the new growth begins. If the planting is left till late autumn, a whole year's growth, as well as a season's blooming, is lost. By a judicious selection of varieties, Peonies may be had in bloom for about six weeks.

Everything on this list will be packed in light boxes with clean moss, packing free, correctly and securely labeled, and sent by express, unless otherwise ordered. The Express Companies will carry all nursery stock at reduced rates.

*Terms:* — Cash with order, or a satisfactory reference from strangers. Dealers and those having a good rating, need not send reference.

#### SINGLE HERBACEOUS PEONIES

SERIES A. — 35 cents each, except as noted. Twelve varieties, one each, our choice, \$3.00.

The single Peonies are very beautiful. If cut when in bud, they will last for several days in water. They generally bloom earlier than the double ones.

Adana, rich pink and flesh; a free bloomer; quite early; large. 50 cents each.

Areos, bright pink, fading to white.

Argus, rich deep rose.

Defiance, brilliant crimson.

Diana, deep rose.

Decora Elator, rich crimson, large; an officinalis variety. 50 cents each.

Dorothy, rose pink, edged silver white.

Dreadnought, crimson; extra fine. 75 cents each.

Emily, beautiful soft rose pink; one of the best. 50 cents each.

Hermes, rosy pink.

Hesperus, deep pink; large and beautiful.

Lady Margaret Ferguson, a beautiful shade of soft pink.

Leucadia, rich rose.

Meteor, bright, dazzling crimson; extra fine. 75 cents each.

Millais, dark maroon.

Mrs. Key, bright, dazzling crimson, yellow stamens. 50 cents each.

Prince Alexander, very fine cherry color.

Prince Bismarck, rich crimson.

Queen of May (Kelway), delicate soft pink. Stanley, rich, deep maroon crimson, pure

gold-colored stamens; a free bloomer; very desirable. 75 cents each.

Surprise, handsome, bright crimson.

The Moor, rich, glowing maroon crimson. 75 cents each.

Victoria, brilliant crimson; extra fine. 50 cents each.



#### DOUBLE HERBACEOUS PEONIES

SERIES B. — 35 cents each, except as noted. Twelve plants, of twelve varieties, if desired, \$3.00.

Amalthea, silvery flesh; early.

Artemise, soft rose pink; fine.

Crimson Queen, bright purplish crimson; vigorous.

Cyclops, deep purplish crimson; brilliant.

Don Juan, blood red or deep rose.

Duchess of Teck, creamy white or pink.

Emma, white, tinged with purplish rose; large.

Euphemia, large and vigorous; a good bloomer; pink, suffused with flesh; late.

Francois Ortegat, purplish crimson; very showy.

Humei, rosy white.

Humei Carnea, peach, white center.

Madame Lebon, purplish crimson, or cherry colored.

Officinalis rubra plena, the old-fashioned, early red variety; a brilliant, deep crimson. 25 cents each.

Pottsii, purplish crimson; showy. 25 cents each.

Reevesii, rose flesh, center petals red. Rosamond, bright rose pink; free bloomer.

#### SERIES C. - 50 cents each; \$5.00 per dozen.

Achille, delicate flesh color; very fresh coloring.

Albion, cherry rose, center primrose yellow.

Abotis, flesh, sulphur center; anemone flowered.

Acanum, large purplish red.

Atalanta, rose with white center.

Auguste Lemonnier, deep purplish red.

Colonel Wilder, bright rose; very double.

Docteur Bretonneau (Guerin), flesh guard petals, yellow center.

Edouard Andre, glossy crimson maroon, stamens golden yellow.

Henri Demay, brilliant crimson.

L'Esperence, rosy flesh, striped carmine; early.

Louis Van Houtte, brilliant satiny crimson; fine form.

Madame Costé, flesh pink, center petals white, tinted flesh; very early.

Madame Vilmorin, deep rose; very fine.

Mile. Renée Dessert, lilac, changing to silvery white.

Nico, purplish cherry.

Officinalis alba plena, pink, changing to pure white.

Officinalis rosea plena, rich rose; a fine bloomer.

Officinalis tenuifolia flore pleno, very brilliant crimson, almost scarlet; foliage beautifully and delicately cut; very early.

Pomponia, large; rosy pink salmon center.

Princess Ellen, purplish rose; very large, fine flower.

Psyche, outer petals rose, sulphur center.

Queen Victoria, creamy white; broad guard petals; compact center, with a red blotch on central petal; a fine variety.

Thisbe, a fine soft rose pink.

Torquemada, a fine peach colored variety. Zephryus, blush, central petaloids sulphur colored.

#### SERIES D. - 75 cents each; \$7.50 per dozen.

Alexandre Dumas, bright rose, interlaced with cream; large flower; free bloomer.

Anemoneflora Rubra, a deep, glossy crimson; very showy.

Brennus, crimson; semi-double.

Cavalleria Rusticana, dark purplish crimson; extra.

Ceres, soft pink, blush white center.

Dorchester (Richardson's), a beautiful soft pink, or cream color tinted pink; fine form; rather dwarf.

Duc de Wellington, soft creamy white; fine shape.

Festiva Maxima, always popular and one of the best, although not new; pure white, center petals splashed carmine; large.

Galene, white, crimson center; very fine

General Custer, bright rose, edged lighter; semi-double, showing two rows of golden stamens.

Grandiflora Rubra, very large and floriferous; dark purplish red; a very showy flower. Jeanne d'Arc, soft rose, center white tinted carmine; very fine.

Labolas, anemone flowered; dark, velvety crimson, stamens edged gold.

Ladas, rose; very pretty flower.

Lady Derby, flesh color.

Lady Carrington, flesh, very fine; fragrant.

Madame Mechin, very dark, brilliant cherry color; stocky.

Marechal Valliant, violet rose; vigorous, late. Pearl, white, shading to rose flesh or pink; fine form and flower.

Plutarch, deep crimson, stamens golden yellow; large and showy.

Rosea Superbissima, cherry rose; fine.

Rossini, cherry rose; extra.

Rubra Superba (Richardson's), dark crimson, of fine form, and very fragrant; a vigorous grower and free bloomer; very late.

Ville de Nancy, winey crimson; very large and full; late; very lasting as a cut flower.

#### SERIES E. - \$1.00 each; \$10.00 per dozen.

Adelaide Delache, deep rose, tipped white; a profuse bloomer,

Agnes Mary Kelway, light rose guard petals, yellow petaloids, with a rose tuft in center; yery pretty.

very pretty.

Duke of Devonshire, deep rose; large, very compact; good plant.

Floral Treasure, fine bright pink; a good bloomer and fragrant.

Golden Harvest, rose guard petals, yellow petaloids, tufted pink center.

Habid, deep pink; large and showy.

Helena, white, inner petals yellow.

Joseph Chamberlain, rich crimson.

La Tulipe, large oval flower; white laced crimson; late.

Lord Salisbury, crimson; very large and

fragrant.

Madame de Verneville, a very valuable peony; globular form; white, center petals tipped carmine; very fragrant; vigorous and very floriferous.

Madame Geissler, very large; rose pink, shading to white or delicate flesh.

Marshal MacMahon, rich, full carmine; free bloomer.

Prince George, a bright glossy crimson, or purplish red, flower very lasting.

Princess Irene, guard petals rose, petaloids yellow, slightly blotched red.

Princess Maude, white, red tips.

Sir Charles Dilke, bright rose, tipped blush, showing the golden anthers; extra.

Sir Frederick Leighton, rich crimson, tipped white.

Thurlow's Double Red, winey red, of a shade not often found in a peony; large and of fine form.

Triomphe de Paris, deep rose, inner petals buff. Venus, a delicate flesh pink; beautiful compact flower; extra.

Zoe Calot, pretty soft pink; large and double.

#### SERIES F. - \$1.50 each, except as noted.

Baroness Schroeder, flesh, changing to white; vigorous and a free bloomer. Very scarce; we can supply only two of this variety in an order. \$3.00 each.

Bridesmaid, listed by Kelway as a single variety; with us it has become semidouble. Flower white or delicate flesh; of the most exquisite form and beauty.

Couronne d'Or, pure white, stamens gold; of fine form, and very valuable as a late white variety. \$2.00 each.

Duchess of Sutherland, large, flesh pink; perfect form.

Etta, strong plant with stiff stem; flowers bright pink; large; very late; extra.

Felix Crousse, large, claret-red flower, globular with a tufted center; late.

Glorie de Patrie, bright rose, tipped white; very full and sweet scented.

Grandiflora (Richardson's), silvery pink; large flower; very fragrant; late; extra.

Lady Helen Vincent, white, tinged flesh; semi-double; very handsome.

Madame Crousse, pure white; large, and very beautiful flower.

Madame Emile Galle, clear shell pink, of medium size and fine form; late.

Madame Jules Calot, beautiful tender rose, border lighter.

Madame Loise mére, beautiful flesh pink, petals edged with crimson; large flower; late.

Mile. Rosseau, white, tinted flesh in center; very large, full flower; good shape. \$2.00 each.

Marie Lemoine, creamy white; fine compact flower; dwarf plant; very late.

Marquise de Lory, an old variety, but still one of the best; light flesh, stamens golden yellow; one of the most deliciously fragrant of peonies, reminding one of the water-lily.

Mr. Manning, brilliant deep crimson showing row of golden stamens; extra.

M. Dupont, white, petals striped carmine; a well formed lasting flower, rather late; very popular.

Pottsii Alba, deep flesh, center lighter; tall grower and free bloomer.

Sir William Harcourt, rich, glowing crimson, very bright color; vigorous.

We have a lot of mixed Peonies — all good varieties, both single and double, which we offer at a bargain, viz.: 25 cents each; \$2.00 per dozen; \$12.00 per hundred.

#### SELECT LIST OF HARDY GARDEN

### Hhlox

E have about twelve thousand plants this fall — good, strong, field-grown roots — that will all bloom next season.

We have been trying for years to get a collection of the most hardy and desirable kinds for this climate. Many of the new, imported ones promise well for a year or two, then mildew and go back into the ground. These we offer are all clean, distinct colors, and cannot fail to give satisfaction. We have gone over them carefully and think they are all free from mixtures.

By a selection of varieties Phlox may be had in bloom from the first of July until the middle of September, or, by cutting back the plants early in the season, it is possible to keep them in flower through September. If customers desire it, we will select the varieties for them.

Phlox and Iris do much better if planted in the autumn — from the middle of September till the middle of October—or early in the spring. Peonies, Iris, and Phlox may very well be packed and shipped together, preferably in September or early October.

Some varieties of Phlox attain a height of four feet, or even more; others about three feet, while some rarely get above two feet. For the benefit of our customers who desire to plant the Phlox in borders or beds, with the tall varieties in the rear and the dwarf ones in front, we have indicated the height of each kind as "tall," "medium," or "dwarf."

#### SERIES A.

We have selected twelve kinds which we would recommend for general cultivation in this country, feeling sure that they will give good satisfaction. They are all clean, healthy plants and bright colored flowers. Price, 20 cents each; \$1.50 per dozen (one of each if desired); \$7.00 per hundred for a general assortment.

- **Candeur,** dwarf; pure white flowers in a large truss; very fine.
- **Eclaireur,** medium; deep carmine-rose, center lighter; a very early and continuous bloomer, and large flower.
- **Huxley**, rather dwarf; clear white, bordered with lilac which gives it a variegated look; quite unique.
- Le Feu de Monde, tall; brilliant crimson or flame color; similar to Madame Meuret, but one or two weeks later.
- Le Pole Nord, tall; medium-sized flower, white with a crimson eye; one of the best tall, late-blooming varieties.
- Le Soleil, medium; beautiful soft rose, shaded pink; one of the best phlox in our collection; blooms constantly and abundant throughout July, August, and September, and is very valuable for cut flowers
- Lumineux, tall; large flowers, brilliant, with a slight tinge of carmine; rosy white center.

- Madame Meuret, tall; flame color, changing to rich salmon; center deep carmine; one of the best varieties and always satisfactory. We have had this phlox for over twenty-five years. Not subject to mildew or any other disease.
- Madame Pape-Carpentier, dwarf; large, pure white, waxy flowers, borne in large trusses; very fine.
- Richard Wallace, tall; white, with violet-red center; a good old sort, always clean and fresh.
- Saison's Lierval, tall; large white flowers with deep rose eye; vigorous and floriferous. Not surpassed by any of its color to-day, although imported from Belgium over twenty years ago.
- Stella's Choice, very tall; pure white, vigorous, and a free bloomer; very late and valuable for cut flowers.

#### SERIES B.

The following are newer varieties and have not been so long on trial, but we think that they will give good satisfaction. Some of them, being still rare, can be supplied only singly or by the dozen. Price, 25 cents each; \$2.00 per dozen; \$10.00 per hundred, our selection.

Amphitryon, dwarf; soft lavender, with white center.

Berenice, dwarf; a fine pure white.

Brunette, medium; a new variety; deep crimson-rose.

Cameron, dwarf; apple-blossom pink, with a white eye; rather poor grower.

Charles Darwin, tall; a brilliant, soft salmon, with violet eye; very fine.

Coeur de Lion, very tall; a fine bright carmine, with a deep crimson eye.

**Coquelicot,** medium; bright vermilion, purple center; very beautiful, but a rather feeble grower.

Esperance, medium; pale mauve, white center.

Eugene Danzanvilliers, medium; large truss of soft lavender, with a large white center. Fantome, medium; light violet, with a large white eye; very fine flowers.

Fiancée, dwarf; white flowers, in a fine truss.

Independence, medium; flowers pure white, large, in a fine pyramidal head.

Lafayette, very tall; white, tinted violet, with a large red eye.

La Neige, dwarf; pure white, perfect flowers.

Laniboire, tall; rosy scarlet, large violet center.

Le Cygne, dwarf; pure white, fine form; a little later than Fiancée.

Miss Lingard, tall; white with small red eye; early flowering.

Mozart, medium; rosy salmon, blood-red center; large trusses.

Mr. Gladstone, medium; soft, satiny violetrose, with a bright red eye; large panicles.

## Japan Iris

E have one of the finest collections of Japan Iris (Iris Kæmpferi) in the country, and we have a few each of the following to offer. They may be transplanted in spring or fall; but if in the fall it should be early, so that the roots may become well established before winter. Iris does best in damp—not wet—ground, but will grow well in any good garden soil. They bloom for several weeks and the beautiful orchid-like flowers are not surpassed by any in their season. They are at their best in July.

Many of our plants were divided and reset this spring, hence they will not have large roots, although they will be large enough to have flowers next year.

Some of the varieties have been renamed in this country, but the names of the new Japanese sorts are so cumbersome that we have omitted them from our list, and have designated them merely by their numbers. We can give the name to each number if customers so desire it.

#### SERIES A.

The following are all well-tested, good varieties. Price, 15 cents each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$10.00 per hundred.

Commodore Perry, very dark violet-red; medium-sized flower, double.

Harlequin, whitish lavender; large.

No. 11, dark velvety blue.

No. 17, violet-blue, striped white and yellow; large.

No. 21, velvety blue; double; vigorous.

No. 22, light red, striped white; center yellow; large.

No. 32, deep violet-blue; strong.

No. 45, pure white; a strong grower.

No. 47, white; early.

No. 50, red, striped white; vigorous.

#### SERIES B.

The following are among the best in the country; all are thoroughly tested. Price, 25 cents each; \$2.50 per dozen; \$15.00 per hundred.

Comet, red, veined gray; large and floriferous.

Souvnier, red, with white blotches; fine.

Tokio, light blue, striped white; large.

Yokohama, light blue, tinted red; large, double flowers; a strong grower.

No. 1, white, yellow center; fine.

No. 7, dark indigo blue.

No. 8, grayish white, striped blue; violet tuft

No. 9, red, striped white; large flowers; vigorous and very floriferous.

No. 10, red, mottled white; double; large.

No. 13, white, edged red; center petals yellow; stocky.

No. 14, grayish white, veined blue; double; a strong grower.

No. 15, grayish white, striped red; double; vigorous.

No. 16, deep blue; double; vigorous and floriferous.

No. 18, large white flowers, edged red.

No. 19, gravish white, striped blue; large and abundant flowers.

No. 24, dark red violet; large and fine.

No. 25, dark blue, center bluish purple.

No. 27, gray, striped red, large flowers in abundance.

No. 28, pure white; double; large.

No. 30, pure white; very vigorous.

No. 31, gravish white, with red stripes; fine.

No. 34, dark maroon, mottled white; vigorous.

No. 35, white, edged with red; center yellow.

No. 39, rich red, striped white; large.

No. 42, pure white, center yellow; semidouble; large flowers in abundance.

No. 44, clear lavender blue, striped white; large and vigorous; fine.

### German Iris

HE German Iris (Fleur de Lis) is very beautiful and perfectly hardy. They bloom for several weeks through May and June. Our collection consists of the best varieties we could obtain in Europe.

They do better if planted early in the fall, as they can then get well established before winter, but may be planted with safety either spring or fall.

In the following descriptions S. signifies the standards or erect petals and F. the falls or drooping petals.

#### SERIES A.

#### 25 cents each; \$2.00 per dozen, except as noted.

Alba (Variegata), height, 30 inches.

S. and F., pure, clear white, with orange crest on fall.

Aurea (Variegata), height, 24 inches. 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

S. and F., rich orange yellow.

Cypriana Superba, height, 18 inches.

S. and F., fine royal purple; large flower.

Dr. Bernice, height, 30 inches.

S., coppery bronze; F., rich velvety plum; extra.

Flavescens, height, 30 inches.

S. and F., a delicate shade of soft yellow; prolific bloomer. Very good for borders.

Florentina, height, 18 to 24 inches.

White, very early and vigorous. Valuable for cut flowers.

Gracchus, height, 18 inches. 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

S., clear yellow; F., maroon red, reticulated white.

Hector, height, 30 inches. 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

S., soft clouded yellow; F., rich violet red; very showy.

Her Majesty, height, 24 inches. 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.
S., old rose; F., white striped, rosy lilac.

Very large flower.

Jacquiniana, height, 36 inches.

S., bright coppery crimson; F., rich dark

Kharput, height, 24 inches.

Very large; rich royal purple; extra.

#### CHERRY HILL NURSERIES, WEST NEWBURY, MASS.

Madame Chereau, height, 3 to 4 feet.
Pure white, edges beautifully pencilled azure; superb.

Madame Pacquitte, height, 30 inches. S. and F., bright rosy claret; late.

Mrs. H. Darwin, height, 24 inches. 35 cents

each; \$3.00 per dozen.

White, F., slightly reticulated violet at base; extra.

Pallida Dalmatica, height, 3 to 4 feet. cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

The best of all; fine pure lavender; foli-

age broad and very ornamental when flower is out of bloom. The true variety is very scarce.

Queen of May, height, 30 to 36 inches. Delicate old rose; early.

Snow Queen (Siberica), height, 42 inches. 35 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

Pure white. This is a variety of the Siberian Iris which is very scarce. It blooms a little later than the German

#### SERIES B.

#### 15 cents each; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per hundred for a variety.

Duc de Nemours, height, 24 inches. S., white; F., white, striped reddish violet.

Edith, height, 30 inches. S., white; F., clear deep lavender; flowers in abundance; very desirable for a border.

Fieberi, height, 8 to 9 inches. Rich violet blue.

Goliath, height, 24 inches.

S., lavender; F, white, reticulated purple; good bloomer.

John Bright, height, 18 inches. Reddish violet.

Khedive, height, 30 inches.

white.

Beautiful pure lavender with orange crest;

Kitty Kingsbury, height, 24 inches. S., pale blue; F., royal purple, reticulated Lutescens var. Statellæ, height, 9 inches. S., white; F., pale primrose.

Marieba, height, 24 inches. S., copper, clouded red; F., red violet; very pretty.

Miss C. M. Owen, height, 9 inches. White, flaked blue

Miss Maggie, height, 24 inches. Soft pinkish lavender; extra.

Nationale, height, 24 inches. S., violet; F., rich dark purple.

Pumila, height, 4 to 5 inches. Beautiful sky blue; earliest of all, blooming with the crocus.

Van Geertii, height, 24 inches. S., clouded lavender; F., dark violet, reticulated white, orange crest.

Virgile, height, 18 to 24 inches S., bronze; F., purple; very floriferous.

E have at different times secured numerous prizes and medals from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for Peonies and Phlox, and for two years the first prize on our German Iris. In 1893 we were awarded the Appleton silver medal for Peonies; four Kelway medals at different times; and prizes every year for twelve or fifteen years.

N. B. — We are very glad to have people visit our grounds at any time during the summer, and will ensure them polite attention, whether they are purchasers or not, but we would like to have it understood that we do not do business on Sunday, and our grounds are not open to visitors on that day.

